State of Montana Office of the Governor



Executive Order No. 17-04

EXECUTIVE ORDER PROCLAIMING THE DESIGNATION OF THE NATIONAL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (NIMS) AS THE BASIS FOR ALL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT IN THE STATE OF MONTANA

WHEREAS, the President in Homeland Security Directive (HSPD)-5, directed the Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security to develop and administer a National Incident Management System (NIMS), which would provide a consistent nationwide approach for federal, state, local, and tribal governments to work together more effectively and efficiently to prevent, prepare for, respond to, and recover from domestic incidents, regardless of cause, size, or complexity; and

WHEREAS, the collective input and guidance from all federal, state, local, and tribal homeland security partners has been, and will continue to be, vital to the development, effective implementation and utilization of a comprehensive NIMS; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary and desirable that all federal, state, local, and tribal emergency agencies and personnel coordinate their efforts to effectively and efficiently provide the highest levels of incident management; and

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WHEREAS, the Incident Command System components of NIMS are already an integral part of various incident management activities throughout the State, including current emergency management training programs.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JUDY MARTZ, Governor of the State of Montana, by the virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and Laws of the State of Montana, do hereby formally recognize and adopt the National Incident Management System (NIMS) as a guide toward the development of Montana's approach to prevent, prepare for, respond to and recover from domestic incidents, regardless of the cause, size or complexity.

This Order is effective immediately.

GIVEN under my hand and the GREAT SEAL of the State of Montana, this 1th day of November , 2004.

MARTZ.

ATTEST:

BOB BROWN, Secretary of State

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